MEMORANDUM

Memo # 14-038-01

TO: Chief Kevin Treadway

FROM: Sgt. Matt Wright

DATE: May 5, 2014

REF Series 12 Liquor License for "Country Host West"

On May 5, 2014, I initiated an investigation into an application for a new series 12 (restaurant) liquor license. The liquor license application has been filed by Danny Thomas, the listed agent on behalf of, Stefanie Kristin Patel, Eric Busam, Caroline Stafford-Connolly, and Gustavo Batrez-Martinez owners of Country Host (west). Danny is the listed agent for administrative purposes only and has no responsibility for the day to day operations of the business.

Country Host is located 2700 Woodlands Village Blvd #600 in Flagstaff. The restaurant location is currently under renovations with plans to open around June 1, 2014. This was the previous location of the Railroad Café. The license number being applied for is 12033359 a series 12 restaurant license.

I conducted a query through local systems and public access on Danny Thomas, Stefanie Kristin Patel, Eric Busam, Caroline Stafford-Connolly, and Gustavo Batrez-Martinez. No derogatory records were located for Danny Thomas, Stefanie Patel, Caroline Stafford-Connolly or Gustavo Batrez-Martinez. Eric Busam was found to have one arrest of which he self-reported in his application. The arrest was for aggravated harassment to which he plead guilty. Eric completed his court ordered probation resulting in the charge being reduced to a misdemeanor. No liquor violations have been recorded by the Department of Liquor License and Control at Country Host West as this is the first license at this location under the new restaurant name and ownership.

Eric and Stephanie are listed controlling persons on a series 6 full bar license at Porky's Pub in Flagstaff. No recent liquor violations could be located at that location.

In speaking with Danny Thomas I confirmed Eric and Stefanie would be operating the day to day operations and Eric had completed the required liquor law training courses. Stefanie and Eric did provide proof they have completed the mandatory liquor law training courses.

As a result of the investigation, I can find no reason to oppose the series 12 restaurant liquor license application. Recommendation to council would be for approval.